



Parade Entry Form

July 4, 2025



"America the Beautiful"



8:00 p.m. line-up

The 2025 Chamber of Commerce Parade, "America the Beautiful," will be Friday night, July 4, 2025. The parade line-up will start at 8:00 p.m. on Wiley Boulevard and the parade will start at approximately 8:30 p.m. The parade will be followed by the fireworks show, which will start around 9:30 p.m. Come celebrate with us!

If you or your group wishes to be a part of this fun event, please complete this entry form and return it to Laura Rex, Chamber President, no later than Wednesday, July 2nd.

You will be notified of your Parade Route Number via text to the cell number you provide. Any changes in the schedule or route will be sent via email, text, and will be posted on the Chamber of Commerce Facebook page.

Name of Entry: _____

Contact Person Name: _____

Contact Person Physical Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Type of Entry:

☐ First Responder ☐ Float/truck ☐ Car/motorcycle group ☐ Band
☐ Walking group ☐ Horse ☐ Other (explain in comments)

Total Length of Entry (in feet) including both vehicle and trailer, if applicable: _____

Please provide a brief description of your parade entry: _____

I, the undersigned, agree that I have read and understand the guidelines included with the entry form and agree to abide by them. I agree that the Big Sandy Chamber of Commerce, the City of Big Sandy, nor any agent, employee nor volunteer assumes any responsibility for any personal injury or property damage suffered in connection with the parade. I agree to release and hold harmless such parties from any claims for injury or damage.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Received by: _____ Date: _____ Parade Route #: _____



Parade Guidelines

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To join the parade line-up, from FM 2911 West, you will turn North onto Hamill Boulevard, follow the curve onto Boulder Street and then Wiley Boulevard. Once you are on Boulder, watch for your parade entry sign, which will have your name and number on it.

FLOATS & VEHICLES

- ☐ All parade vehicles, which are not street legal, can only be driven in the parade.
- ☐ The height of each float is limited to 8 feet above the bed of the supporting vehicle, including participants. In no case will a float, vehicle or entry exceed a maximum height of 13'6".
- ☐ Any float 50 feet in length or more must be approved.
- ☐ All items on floats and vehicles must be properly secured so as to not cause a hazard to any participant or spectator.
- ☐ All floats, vehicles and entries must have a person of the age of 21 or older as a driver.

OPERATING A VEHICLE

- ☐ All drivers must have a current driver's license and a copy of a valid vehicle insurance verification at the time of the parade.
- ☐ No person operating a vehicle or other moving equipment shall be permitted to operate a cellular device, including no texting, while in the parade route.
- ☐ All drivers must have a clear and unobstructed view in all directions.
- ☐ All drivers must have complete control of moving equipment at all times.
- ☐ All drivers must maintain a steady forward motion at all times. Drivers cannot slow down in order to speed up.

PARTICIPANTS

- ☐ All persons riding on floats or vehicles shall only do so in a safe and reasonable manner, taking into consideration the movement of the floats and vehicles.
- ☐ No participant may leave the float, vehicle or entry at any time prior to the conclusion of the parade route. (They may not switch from riding the float to walking to riding the float again)
- ☐ Helmets must be worn by any rider/passenger under the age of 18 years on any scooter, go cart, motorcycle, ATV, side-by-side or any similar motorized vehicle or device.
- ☐ Participants are required to yield right of way to all emergency vehicles.

TRAFFIC CONTROL AND BARRICADES

- ☐ Parade must maintain a forward motion at all times.
- ☐ No person, other than authorized city officials, shall place any sign or device intended to regulate the movement of traffic.
- ☐ No Parking is allowed in front of barricades.
- ☐ Signs or other material is prohibited from being affixed to any barricade by anyone other than city officials.
- ☐ Only police and other personnel authorized by the City of Big Sandy are permitted to direct traffic.

PROMOTIONAL/CANDY HANDOUTS

- ☐ Participants shall not throw, handout or project by any means, any items from parade entries. However, participants on foot are allowed to hand out candy and/or promotional items before and/or during the parade within 3 feet of the curb.

FIRE PREVENTION

- ☐ All Parade entries will be subject to inspection by the Big Sandy Chamber President or their designee. If, for any reason, an entry is found to be hazardous or unsafe, it must be modified to the satisfaction of the Chamber or removed from the parade.
- ☐ Generators must be used in well ventilated areas and not inside vehicle passenger areas
- ☐ Fire Zone parking restrictions will be enforced.
- ☐ Smoking will not be allowed.